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Prayer was appointed to convey  
The blessings God designed to give  
Long as they live should christians pray  
But only while they pray they live  
The christians prayer to God indites  
He speaks as prompted from within  
The spirit his petitions writes  
And Christ receives and gives it in  
And wilt thou in dead silence lie  
When Christ stands waiting for thy prayer  
My soul thou hast a friend on high  
Rise and try thy interest there  
If pains afflict if wrongs oppress  
If cares distress if fears dismay  
If guilt depicts if sins distress  
Try remedies before thee - pray  
Its prayer supports the soul that's weak  
Thou thought to broken language lame  
Pray if thou canst or canst not speak  
But pray with faith in Jesus name  
Depend on him thou canst not fail  
Make all thy wants and wishes known  
Fear not his mercies must prevail  
Ask what thou wilt it shall be done

Hearts of stone, relent, relent  
Break by Jesus cross subdued  
See his body mangled rent  
Covered with a gore of blood  
Sinful soul what hast thou done  
Murderd Gods eternal son  
Yes our sins have done the deed

Drove the nails that fixed him there  
Crowned with thorns his sacred head  
Pierced him with a soldiers spear  
Made his soul a sacrifice  
For a sinful world he dies  
Will you let him die in vain

Still to death pursue your Lord  
Open fear his wounds again  
Trample on his precious blood  
No with all my sins I'll part  
Saviour take my broken heart

I would but cannot sing  
I would but cannot pray  
For satan meets me when I try  
And frights my soul away  
I would but cannot repent

Though I endeavor oft  
This stony heart will never relent  
Till Jesus makes it soft

I would but cannot rest  
In Gods most holy will  
I know what he appoints is best  
Yet murmur at it still

I could I but believe

Then all would easy be

I would but cannot - Lord relieve

My help must come from thee



